

Leicester, 31st Aug.
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Dear Wendell,

Thanking you for letting me see Ed.^d Jackson's note, which I return. It establishes, or rather confirms, the statement I have made that E. J. was in favor of giving only a small proportion of the fund to the "Standard"; but I do not recollect to have heard before that he ^{to that effect} made a motion at that meeting, which nobody seconded. It was doubtless so.

His argument that F. J. might change, & now wish to support the Standard, as some of us had changed, & now opposed it, is a curious piece of logic enough - for which I suppose the good man's "Spiritualism" (so called) is largely responsible.

- I prepared with much care a statement of the matter, from my point of view, and mainly in reply to Purvis's charge that we had "misdirected" funds, "properly belonging to the Amⁿ. A. S. Society"; - it was seen by E. Quincy & N. J. May -

Both approved it. S. J. M. said
it was what it ought to be, and
~~with~~ unobjectionable as to manner, &c.
& that it was what was wanted, —
I sent it just as he saw it — indeed
was just finishing copying it, when he
arrived here last Monday a. m. —

Yesterday I had a note from A. M.
Powell, declining to publish it!

— Pretty well for the Standard!

To bring a severe charge against
men, — a charge impeaching their
integrity, — & then refuse them a
chance to reply! He made

not the slightest objection to the article.
Had never wanted the subject introduced in
the Standard — I thought it had better
now be confined to W. L. G. & W. R. (!)
— all very well, if they had not been
appealed in its columns. —

Truly, Yrs
L. May Jr